# Chronic otitis media

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Glossary Item
METEOR identifier:	682003
Registration status:	Indigenous, Standard 05/12/2017
Definition:	<ul> <li>The term used to describe a variety of signs, symptoms, and physical findings that result from the long-term damage to the middle ear by infection and inflammation. This includes the following:</li> <li>severe retraction or perforation of the tympanic membrane (a hole in the tympanic membrane)</li> <li>scarring or erosion of the small, sound conducting bones of the middle ear</li> <li>chronic or recurring drainage from the ear</li> <li>inflammation causing erosion of the bony cover or the facial nerve, balance canals, or cochlea (hearing organ)</li> <li>erosion of the bony borders of the middle ear or mastoid, resulting in infection spreading to the meninges (the coverings of the brain) or brain</li> <li>presence of cholesteatoma</li> <li>persistence of fluid behind an intact tympanic membrane.</li> </ul>

#### Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Reference documents:	University of Maryland Medical Center. Ear Infections 2017. Viewed 2 August 2017, <u>http://www.umm.edu/programs/hearing/services/ear-infections</u>

### **Relational attributes**

Metadata items which use this glossary item:	<u>Chronic otitis media type</u> <u>Indigenous</u> , Standard 05/12/2017
	<u>Chronic otitis media type code N[N]</u> <u>Indigenous</u> , Standard 05/12/2017
	Closing the Gap/Child Health Check Initiative: Ear, nose and throat operation summary form DSS Indigenous, Standard 05/12/2017
	Patient—chronic otitis media type, code N[N] Indigenous, Standard 05/12/2017